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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 12, 2020:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N lat, 131°18.90′ W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.04′ N lat, 131°25.17′ W long to Point Davison Light at 54°59.64′ N lat, 131°36.84′ W long, then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

<u>Boca de Quadra</u>: will be closed south of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15′ N lat, 130°59.10′ W long to Slate Island Light at 55°05.29′ N lat, 131°03.17′ W long, east of a line from Slate Island Light to Black Rock Light at 55°01.42′ N lat, 131°03.59′ W long, and north of a line from Black Rock Light to a point on the mainland shore at 55°01.40′ N lat, 131°00.20′ W long.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 12, 2020:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at $55^{\circ}00.73'$ N lat with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 12, 2020:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde at 56°10.43′ N lat.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 12, 2020:

Southeast Cove terminal harvest area (THA): will be open.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 12, 2020:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nautical mile (nmi) of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44′ N lat, 134°57.50′ W long to a point at 58°03.00′ N lat, 134°57.85′ W long, south of 58°03.00′ N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light).

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Carroll Inlet, Neets Bay, Anita Bay, and Hidden Falls THAs may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas (including the Kendrick Bay THA), Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 25, 2020.

Fishermen and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that harvest from the Kendrick Bay THA should be kept and reported on a separate fish ticket from harvest outside of the Kendrick Bay THA. The statistical area for the Kendrick Bay THA is 102-15 and includes the waters of McLean Arm and Kendrick Bay. The statistical areas for portions of District 2 open outside of the Kendrick Bay THA are 102-10 (Kendrick Bay south) and 102-20 (Kendrick Bay north).

The Southeast Cove and Thomas Bay THAs are new common property fisheries. For descriptions of the THAs, expected returns, and fishing schedules, refer to the Southeast Cove and Thomas Bay THAs Advisory Announcement released on April 15, 2020.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Tuesday, July 14, 2020.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S2620.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/

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Carroll Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,500 Chinook salmon. Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 8,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 4,200 Chinook salmon and 1,700 chum salmon. Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,600 Chinook salmon and 41,000 chum salmon.

Neets Bay THA harvest to date: 3,500 Chinook salmon and 5,500 chum salmon.

Thomas Bay THA harvest to date: 5,000 chum salmon. Southeast Cove THA harvest to date: 60,000 chum salmon.

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